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### **Governor Doyle Appoints Michael Hinman as Emergency Management Administrator**

MADISON – Governor Jim Doyle announced today the appointment of Michael Hinman as the Administrator of Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM). He will begin serving in early July. Hinman currently serves as a Colonel in the Wisconsin Air National Guard as Vice Commander of the 115th Fighter Wing in Madison. He will be replacing Ed Wall who resigned effective April 3.

“Mike Hinman is an experienced and effective leader,” Governor Doyle said. “He has worked on emergency management issues at the local and state level in his role at the 115th, and has the respect of the community. I am confident that under his leadership, WEM will continue to be an organization that citizens and communities across the state can count on during emergencies.”

“It is both an honor and a privilege to be offered the opportunity to serve as the Wisconsin Emergency Management Administrator,” Hinman said. “I believe my background in emergency management provides me a solid foundation to assume this position and I look forward to getting started.”

Hinman has served in the military for over 30 years. He has spent the majority of that time serving at the Dane County Regional Airport and Truax Field in Madison. His experience includes work in civil engineering, aircraft maintenance, logistics, environmental management, law enforcement and emergency management coordination. Hinman received his Bachelor of Arts from the University of Idaho. Hinman and his wife, Dr. Georgia Hinman, have two adult children and live in Verona.

Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) coordinates disaster response and recovery efforts in support of local governments. Wisconsin Emergency Management specializes in Hazard Mitigation, Warning & Communications, Emergency Police Services, Disaster Response & Recovery, Hazardous Materials & EPCRA, Radiological Emergency Preparedness, and Exercise & Training for the State of Wisconsin.

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